

AUTO REGISTRATION STARTING JANUARY 2

Revisions in fee schedules for registering and licensing motor vehicles and trailers in the State for 1948 were outlined today. The license renewal period begins Jan. 2, and concludes midnight, Feb. 4.

California motorists will have to pay approximately \$3 more for new license tabs than the amount appearing on their present registration slips as "Total Fees 1948."

Under provisions of the Burns-Culler Highway Act, passed last summer to help finance the State's freeway program, registration for passenger cars have been upped from \$3 to \$6; in-lieu taxes (license fees) will be computed to the nearest dollar. For example, if your present "Total Fees 1948" reads \$12.50, you will pay \$15. If your "Total fees 1948" shows \$12.00, you will pay \$16. Minimum fees are now \$7.

The amounts indicated on present "white slips" are incorrect because these slips were mailed to motorists early last

year before the State Legislature had completed its deliberations on highway financing. In sufficient time prevented the mailing of corrected slips to passenger car owners.

Owners of commercial vehicles, trailers and motorcycles, however, will receive "potential registration cards," indicating correct fees due, in advance of the renewal period.

Commercial trucks and trailers will be subject to substantially increased weight fees in 1948. These fees are in addition to the new registration fee of \$6 and the in-lieu of \$1.75 per \$100 valuation. Trucks weighing 3,000 pounds or more, and trailers over 2,000 pounds, are subject to these weight fees.

Passenger car owners, in applying, will be required to relinquish registration cards and, upon payment of necessary fees, will be issued temporary certificates of registration in addition to two 1948 license tabs—one for each of their current license plates. No new plates will be issued in 1948.

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LANDLORD-TENANT LEASES DUE DEC. 31

Landlord and tenant have until Dec. 31, in which to sign leases for dwelling accommodations under the Housing and Rent Act of 1947, Associate Area Rent Director Charles H. Blaylock of Long Beach said today.

Blaylock said that thus far a total of 3,541 leases have been signed which covers the Harbor Area. These leases represent 5 per cent of the total number of dwelling accommodations in the defense-rental area, he said. The area figures compare with a total of 1,458,113 leases signed and approved in the nation during the period between July 1 and Nov. 30, or 9.3 per cent of the total dwelling accommodations in the country.

Some of the salient features of these leases between landlords and tenants, Blaylock said, include:

1. They must be voluntary between landlord and tenant.
2. They must be written agreements.
3. The effective date of the lease must be prior to or on December 31, 1947 and the lease must contain an expiration date on or after December 31, 1948—or more than 12 months from now.

4. The lease can call for an increase of up to 15 per cent in the legal maximum rental rate in existence at the time the lease is signed.

5. The lease must not provide for a substantial decrease in the services, furniture, furnishings or equipment required to be provided pursuant to the rent act regulations.

6. A true and duly executed copy of the lease must be filed with the local office of rent control, at 110 E. Anaheim, Long Beach, within 15 days after the date of the execution of the lease. The necessary forms for registering the lease will be provided by the area rent office and these forms, executed in triplicate, must accompany the lease when it is filed.

7. A landlord need not offer a tenant one of these leases. If the landlord offers one to the tenant, the tenant need not accept it. If the tenant asks the landlord for a lease, the landlord need not give one to the tenant.

8. If a landlord and his tenant do not sign a lease between now and the end of this month, the tenant's rental rate remains the same (provided it is no more than the current legal maximum limit) as long as the current rent act remains in effect. The current law expires on February 29, 1948, or more than two months from now.

9. A lease may contain, at the tenant's request, a clause which gives the tenant the right to terminate the lease at any time prior to the expiration date of the lease.

10. A lease cannot contain a clause giving the landlord the right to terminate it before the legal expiration date.

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R. BORDEN PARK Leads Masonic Lodge Here

Twelve Masons To Be Installed Saturday, Jan. 3

Twelve officers of the Torrance Masonic lodge will be installed at ceremonies to be conducted at the Masonic Temple Saturday Jan. 3, it was announced recently.

Those who will take office include: R. Borden Park, 1911 Rockefeller lane, Redondo Beach, master; Vincent C. Jelenave, 2313 Torrance blvd., senior warden; Fred O. Bacon, 1303 Portola ave., junior warden; Gordon A. Mothersell, 2422 Torrance blvd., treasurer; Frederick Cook, 2207 Carson street, secretary; John E. Harrington, 1634 Amapola ave., chaplain; Frank Schmidt, 1918 Cabrillo ave., marshal; Leonard D. Babcock, 4311 S. Van Ness avenue, Los Angeles, senior deacon; John J. Gallaveto, 25015 Cypress ave., Lomita, junior deacon; Mark Wright, 1420 Beech ave., senior steward; Chris A. Bartsch, 1617 Arlington ave., junior steward and Harry Guy, tiler.

Cook is the retiring worshipful master of the lodge.

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TOY SHOP DISTRIBUTES YULE JOY TO CHILDREN

Hundreds of toys will be distributed from Santa Claus' Toy Shop to needy children this Christmas by the First District Welfare Council.

For the past month donations have been pouring in to collection centers in Torrance from this city, Lomita, Gardena and surrounding areas. Toys were picked up at Fern Avenue School, Torrance Elementary School, El Prado Furniture, the Moose lodge, Lowry Furniture Manufacturing Co. and the Torrance Fire Department.

In the workshop of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Caldwell's home volunteer helpers for Santa repaired, cleaned and painted the toys until all were in "first class condition" for the boys and girls who are receiving them.

Eighty-four year old William McNitt, a retired mechanical engineer, has spent hours of his time working on the toys. In his expert hands a hobby horse began to rock again, a toy drummer started to beat out

STRIPERS RUN

Striped bass run is well under way up the San Joaquin river in the lower delta area.



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WOMAN INJURED IN COLLISION FRIDAY MORNING

Mrs. Jeanne Harris, 1425 Arcadia ave., Wilmington and Darrell Norman Smith, 5436 Sharpyne Lane, Los Angeles, received minor injuries when a car driven by Smith collided with another said to be driven by Ocie Clause McMurray, 674 32nd st., Los Angeles, Wednesday morning, Dec. 17 on Sepulveda blvd. near Hawthorne boulevard.

Mrs. Harris was a passenger in McMurray's vehicle. McMurray was going west on Sepulveda when in passing a car ahead during a heavy fog, he struck Smith's car traveling east.

WRITING TOOLS
The earliest writing implement probably was the stylus, a pointed piece of metal, bone, or ivory used to produce letters on tablets covered with wax.

Education Group Plan Explained

In answer to many inquiries from citizens and school patrons as to the purpose and scope of the Torrance Educational Advisory Committee, Mrs. Grace W. Wright, moderator of the committee and vice president of the Torrance City Board of Education, this week issued the following explanation:

"The Torrance Educational Advisory Committee was created through an invitation of the Torrance City Board of Education to give representative citizens an opportunity to express opinions, ideas, obtain information and ask questions of the Board of Education which concern the parents and taxpayers and children of the community."

"The members of the Board of Education feel that this interchange of ideas will result in improved understanding of school needs and problems upon the part of the community. The Board also feels that because of this committee it can serve the community more intelligently through better understanding of community needs and attitudes and that important points can be brought to the front."

"This committee is functioning as a clearing center for educational thought in the community."

The committee meets the third Thursday of each month in the cafe at 1625 Cabrillo ave.

HAVE YOU HEARD THIS ONE?

It seems that there were a couple of Irishmen named Pat and Mike, who had brilliant reputations as wits. Came the Christmas season, and try as they might, they could think of no original greetings. Finally, in desperation, they resorted to the old but always good one we send to you... MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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